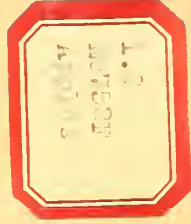


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THE HAMBURG APPLE MARKET

Barreled apple prices on the Hamburg auction Thursday, December 3, were generally somewhat lower than last week, according to a cable from Fred A. Motz, Fruit Specialist in Europe for the Foreign Service of the Department of Agriculture. New York Baldwins and Ben Davis made slightly higher prices than last week. The same varieties from Maine, because of their poor condition, sold at \$0.47 to \$1.43 per barrel. Utility and Un-classified stock of all varieties made very unsatisfactory prices. The trade reports that there is no market for low grades. Boxed apple prices were little changed from last week. Washington Jonathans were a little higher and Oregon Winter Bananas lower in price. Demand was moderate for boxed stock. The condition of the fruit was good. Supplies of apples on the market consisted of 9,200 barrels and 10,600 boxes against 5,200 barrels and 14,200 boxes last week, and 32,000 barrels and 105,000 boxes at this time last year. The large crop on the Continent this year has prevented the sale of anything like the quantities that were being moved at this time last year.

Prices paid for American fruit at Hamburg

Variety, grade and origin	Price		
	1930	1931	
	December 4	November 26	December 3
APPLES	BARRELS:	Dollars	Dollars
Staymans, Va.			
U.S. No. 1, 2 $\frac{1}{4}$ inch min.	5.00-7.15	3.93-4.17 a/	3.33-3.69
Black Twigs, Va.			
U.S. No. 1, 2 $\frac{1}{4}$ inch min.	6.07-7.15 b/	3.33-3.57	3.33-3.57
U.S. No. 1, 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ inch min.	6.07-7.15 b/	3.57-3.81	3.57-3.93
York Imperials, Va.			
U.S. No. 1, 2 $\frac{1}{4}$ inch min.	6.07-8.34 b/	3.33-3.81	3.33-3.57
U.S. No. 1, 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ inch min.	6.07-8.34 b/	-	3.57-3.93
Winesaps, Va.			
U.S. No. 1, 2 $\frac{1}{4}$ inch min.	5.00-8.22 b/	4.29-4.76	3.93-4.29
U.S. No. 1, 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ inch min.	5.00-8.22 b/	4.53-5.00	4.29-4.76
Baldwins, N. Y.			
U.S. No. 1, 2 $\frac{1}{4}$ inch min.	4.76-7.98 b/	3.10-3.57	3.33-3.69
U.S. No. 1, 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ inch min.	4.76-7.98 b/	3.33-3.81	3.69-4.05
Ben Davis, N. Y.			
U.S. No. 1, 2 $\frac{1}{4}$ inch min.	4.53-7.50 b/	3.10-3.57	3.33-3.69
U.S. No. 1, 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ inch min.	4.53-7.50 b/	3.33-3.81	3.69-4.05
Ganos, N. Y.			
U.S. No. 1, 2 $\frac{1}{4}$ inch min.	-	-	3.33-3.69
U.S. No. 1, 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ inch min.	-	-	3.69-4.05
Baldwins, Maine			
U.S. No. 1, 2 $\frac{1}{4}$ inch min.	-	-	1.91-3.33 c/
Ben Davis, Maine			
U.S. No. 1, 2 $\frac{1}{4}$ inch min.	-	-	1.91-3.33 c/
Jonathans, Wash.	BOXES:		
Extra Fancy 138/163	2.14-2.74	2.14-2.38	2.26-2.50
Fancy 138/163	-	2.02-2.10	2.02-2.26
Winesaps, Wash.			
Extra Fancy 138/163	2.62-2.86	2.26-2.50	2.26-2.50
Fancy 138/163	2.38-2.62	-	2.02-2.26
Spitzenburgs, Oregon			
Extra Fancy 138/163	2.62-2.86	2.26-2.50	2.26-2.50
Fancy 138/163	2.38-2.50	-	2.02-2.26
Winter Bananas, Oregon			
Extra Fancy 138/larger	-	2.14-2.38	2.14-2.26
Extra Fancy 138/163	2.38-3.33 d/	2.50-2.74	2.02-2.38
Fancy 138/larger	-	1.79-2.02	1.67-1.79
Fancy 138/163	2.38-2.50 d/	1.91-2.14	1.55-1.91

NOTE: Quotations are for fruit in good condition unless otherwise noted.
a/ 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ inch. b/ All grades and sizes. c/ Poor condition. d/ Washington.

